

Securities and Exchange Commission

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(15 U.S.C. 78p(a)) of such Act, pertaining to investment companies registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940 and pooled investment funds or accounts in connection with:

(1) The registration of securities pursuant to section 12 of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78l), including the exemptive provisions of section 12(h) (15 U.S.C. 78l(h)).

(2) The examination and processing of periodic reports filed pursuant to sections 13 and 15(d) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78m, 78o(d)).

(3) The examination and processing of proxy soliciting material filed pursuant to section 14(a) and information material filed pursuant to section 14(c) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78n(a), 78n(c)).

(d) All matters pertaining to investment companies registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940 and pooled investment funds or accounts arising under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939 (15 U.S.C. 77aaa *et seq.*).

(e) All matters arising under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80b-1 *et seq.*).

(f) The administration and execution of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 in connection with:

(1) The administration and processing of proxy solicitation material subject to §§ 240.14a-1—240.14a-14 of this chapter.

(2) The examination and processing of ownership reports filed under section 17(a) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 79q(a)).

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§ 200.20c Office of Filings and Information Services.

The Office of Filings and Information Services is responsible for the receipt and initial handling of all public documents filed at the Commission's headquarters office. The initial handling includes determining acceptability, extracting data for EDP input, calculating fees, conducting cursory and substantive examinations, assigning filings to branches and preparing deficiency correspondence. In addition, the Office is responsible for the custody and control of the Commission's official records; for the development of plans and implementation of the Commission's records management pro-

gram; for authenticating all documents produced for administrative or judicial proceedings; for maintaining liaison with the National Archives and Records Service and other Government agencies with respect to the Commission's records and its records management program. The Office provides filer-support services relating to the Commission's EDGAR system and the receipt of fees and filings for all types of filers, regardless of filing media. The Office also manages the Commission's public reference facilities to facilitate public access to electronic filings and ensure that all information contained in public filings with the Commission is timely made available to investors.

(Sec. 4(b), 48 Stat. 885, sec. 1106(a), 63 Stat. 972, 15 U.S.C. 78d(b); secs. 1, 2, 76 Stat. 394, 395, 15 U.S.C. 78d-1, 78d-2; secs. 19, 48 Stat. 85, 908, 15 U.S.C. 77s; sec. 23(a), 48 Stat. 901, sec. 8, 49 Stat. 1379, 15 U.S.C. 78w(a); sec. 20, 49 Stat. 833, 15 U.S.C. 78t; sec. 319, 53 Stat. 1173, 15 U.S.C. 77sss; sec. 38, 54 Stat. 841, 15 U.S.C. 80a-37; sec. 211, 54 Stat. 855, sec. 14, 74 Stat. 888, 15 U.S.C. 80b-11; sec. 15B, 15 U.S.C. 78o-4(a); sec. 17A, 15 U.S.C. 78q-1 (c)(2); 11 U.S.C. 901, 1109(a))

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§ 200.21 The General Counsel.

(a) The General Counsel is the chief legal officer of the Commission. He or she is responsible for the representation of the Commission in judicial proceedings in which it is involved as a party or as *amicus curiae*, for directing and supervising all civil litigation involving the Commission in the United States District Courts, except for law enforcement actions filed on behalf of the Commission, for directing and supervising the Commission's responsibilities under the Bankruptcy Code and all related litigation, and for representing the Commission in all cases in appellate courts. The General Counsel is responsible for the review of cases which the Division of Enforcement recommends be referred to the Department of Justice with a recommendation for criminal prosecution. In addition, he or she is responsible for advising the Commission at its request or at the request of any division director or office head, or on his or her own motion, with respect to interpretations